BROOKLYN END.

THE STATIONS WILL BE COMPLETED BY

MENT SPRING-THE CAPACITY OF THE RAILROAD TO BE DOUBLED BY THE

NEW SYSTEM-EFFECT OF THE

Every one approaching the Brooklyn end of the through Washington-st., or from the Fal-side, must have noticed that for the last three or four weeks work has been in progress on entering or leaving the Bridge by the tion of Fulton-st., extending over the plaza. The gable in Washington-st. is supported by two col-amns placed near the surface-car tracks. These , it is gratifying to learn, are only tempo-

The work of building the Brooklyn station is complicated by the circumstance that the connections of the elevated railroads have to be constructed in conjunction with it, especially that of the Brooklyn Elevated Railroad Company, which has been lucky nough to make sure of much closer relations with the Bridge station than its rival in Fulton-st. ooklyn road is, in fact, to encircle the Bridge tion, passing through Sands-st., up Fulton-st. for block, and then back to Washington-st, through rected in Washington-st. is to be used in part by elevated railway, and when its girders are laid across Washington-st, this part of the structure will be supported by them, and the columns hich now obstruct the roadway in Washington-st.

While the Brooklyn Elevated road will actually enter and depart from the inside of the Bridge itself, enabling its passengers to reach the Bridge cars and to leave them with ease, the Kings apany's passengers will be scarcely betthe new station than they are at presand this gallery will be thrown right across the mid-dle of the plaza. It will not be supported from the ever, and will be made as slight a dis-According to Superintendent Martin, there will be so placed as not to interfere with its free The direct line of travel from the Bridge will be in the direction of Liberty-st., and the distancebetween the columns nearest the beginning of Literty-st, will be considerably greater than the width

When asked in regard to the work on the bridge tation Mr. Martin said that he hoped that the sta- | the long run. ions at both ends of the bridge would be completed "We have not yet begun actual ork on the New-York structure," he added, "but that is a simpler piece of work than the one on orward state of preparation, and as it is to be a end the work is more complicated, partly account of the connections to be made by the ads. The work must all go on more or road station will not be affected to any exten-the new bridge station. Then asked in regard to the increase in the rying capacity of the bridge that will result from charges and

will cause a consideration lating-out in the re-is," was his reply. "Just how much we can-tell precisely, but probably between \$50,000 and 90 a year. A large number of people who herly bought single tickets at three cents apiece now buying two for five cents, which is a lose alf a cent on every passage. Of course the ge lones nothing when people who formerly that packages of ten for twenty-live cents buy

"What do you think of the proposal to reduce the fare to two cents?"

"Well," said Mr. Martin, "I am not a trustee of the Bridge; I am only the engineer; but I have no objection to telling you what the effect wil be on the receipts," and he took up his pen and did a little figuring. As the result of it, he went on:

"Last year the Bridge carried about \$1.00,000 passengers. Just about half of them bought single stickets and paid three cents, while the other half gupplied themselves with package tickets at two and one-half cents. Say that \$2.000,000 paid three cents a trip; on those we would lose a cent apiece, or \$220,000. On those who paid two and a half cents—about \$25,000, but of course it would be seen a count of the recent reduction, which, as I said, will probably produce a falling-off of over \$2,000. It seemed to me that there was a good deal of justice in the question of one of the trustees, whether it was right to require the taxpayers who do not use second to me that there was a good deal of justice in the question of one of the trustees, whether it was right to require the taxpayers who do not use the Bridge at all to make up any deficiency in the interest account resulting from a reduction in the rates of fare. New-York taxpayers use the Bridge scarcely at all, and the same is true of a good many people in the Eastern District of Brooklyn and other outlying sections of the city. Then, so, at present it is impossible for us to carry any more people than we are carrying in the busiest hours of the day."

the day."

It was easy to see from the tone of Superintendent Martin's remarks on the subject that if he were a member of the Boarl of Trustees he would not favor the proposed reduction to two cents, on which the board is expected to act at its next meet-

which the board is expected to act at its next mering.

No announcement is yet made at the Bridge entrances of the fact that two tickets can be purchased for five cents. Regular traveliers do not need any announcement to that effect, but it is possible that strangers within the city's gates may be beaten out of a cent every time they cross the Bridge and return, in consequence of the failure to proclaim the change publicly. Perhaps the authorities are waiting to see whether any further reduction will be made, in which event only one repainting of the signs would be required.

### THE FLATBUSH-AVE. PLAN.

MAYOR SCHIEREN LOOKING FOR DEFINITE IN-FORMATION AS TO THE COST OF ...

THE EXTENSION. Considerable interest is felt in the revival of the plan to extend Flatbush-ave, to the Brooklyn end of the Bridge, and at the Mayor's office efforts are being put forth to find any trustworthy data which may be in existence hearing upon the cost of the undertaking. The head of one of the principal city departments, when asked for his opinion on the

subject, remarked: "It would unquestionably be a splendid thing for the city, provided it did not cost too much. I have not given the matter any special attention, but it seems to me that that section of the city has improved rather less than any other in the last dozen years. I have no official information on the subject, but it is easy for any one who uses his eyes to see that the same old buildings, most of them comparatively cheap, and some of them tumble-down, are still there. So it would seem as if the improvement would cost no more now than when it was advocated by Mayor Low. Whether the city is in a position to undertake it now I am not pre pared to say, but that it is a good thing in itself

It appears that as long ago as 1882 an attempt was made to organize a private company to undertake the improvement. The plan was to buy a strip of land 300 feet wide and to give 100 feet of it to the city for a street, on the condition that the city would open, grade and pave it. This would leave the company 100 feet on each side, which would probably have enabled it to make an exceedingly profitable investment. A public improvement on such a basis would be a novelty here, but the same thing is said to have been done successfully in some foreign cities. A hill incorporating the company was drawn, and passed one branch of the Legislature. Mayor Low, however, was of the opinion that the work, if done at all, should be done by the city in the regular way, and on account of his opposition the bill failed to become a law. The company filed a map at the time in the office of the City Clerk, showing that the cost of the property would not exceed a million and a quarter. At the City Clerk's office it was said on Thursday that no trace of the map could be found. Mayor Scheren is anxious to get all the light obtainable on the cost of the talked-of extension, which he thinks would be of great advantage to the city. The improvement would no doubt pay for itself indirectly in the increased valuations to be placed on a large amount of property in case it were carried through; still a considerable immediate outlay would be required, and the present financial condition of the city is such as to compel caution in reference to any project that calls for the expenditure of money. It appears that as long ago as 1882 an attempt

ING THE WATER SUPPLY.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD-THE SITUATION SERIOUS FOR THE

upon the plan for increasing the water sup by the Commissioner of City Works to exlong that the city was actually imperilled by the delay. It was commonly believed that the reatheir non-action was their failure to get as thought they were entitled to. In cont

emergency. It has come out that some of the Al dermen are opposed to the making of a contract for proposed to the Mayor that the entire control missioner of City Works. This plainly is a device at least the selection of workmen. In other words,

long bridge or gallery to enter and leave the Bridge. made one of the old ring contractors will in some partment must simply obey the law in the only seven columns for the support of the to the lowest bidder that is the end of the matter fairest cheapest, and, on the whole, best way in

> of the absolute necessity of immediate action in the rection of furnishing the city with more water. would have begun earlier to agitate the question

body. The suggestion has been made that perhaps it would be wise to summon Alderman Cary back from Europe in order to have his assistance in the Common Council. This ought not to be necessary, though if he had been here and had signed the report of the Water and Praimage Committee, as he most certainly would have done, it is probable that the necessary steps would have been taken by the Alderman some days ago.

Some people in Brooklyn are more or less alarmed over the reports of the quality of the water obtained from the streams about which complaint has been made, and in consequence make a regular practice of boiling all their drinking water. A cittleen, in whose family this is the rule, said yesterday that he considered it the only safe thing to do, and he thought it especially important in case there should be danger of chalers this summer.

"Formerly," he said, "our Ridgewood water had the reputation of being the purest and best that any city in the country received, and it is a matter of extreme regret to the people of Brooklyn that this is no longer the case. Certainly something should be done at once to prevent the need of using any water that is in the least contaminated. There is plenty of pure water to be had on Long Island to meet all the needs of the city for the present, and, at least, for the near future—water, too, of the very best quality. Commissioner White, I am convinced, is not an alarmist. That is not his nature in the least, Nor can any one who knows him think for a moment that he has any other motive than the public good in view in what he is trying to do in this matter.

"The charge that a water scare is being got up for political effect is all nonsense. Such a thing might have been possible under a Democratic administration. It is utterly impossible with a man like Alfred T. White at the head of the Department of City Works. Nor is it in the least likely that he has been deceived. He has the figures of the Engineer's Bureau in the department to back him up. They show that the streams an

### POLITICAL DRIFT IN BROOKLYN.

SURVEYOR M'GUIRE.

BOSS M'LAUGHLIN RETIRES FROM POLITICS AGAIN-PROMPT CONFIRMATION OF

"Boss" McLaughlin has gone to Greenport, L. I. for his summer vacation, and simultaneously with his departure the announcement is made that he has retired from politics this time permanently It is an old, familiar announcement, Me Laughlin has not retired permanently from polities as often as a certain singer has made her positively last appearance, but it has been done so many times that the people of Brooktyn merely smile every time the "rettrement act" is gone through, and say to themselves that Mc-Laughlin will continue to rule things from his throne in the auction shop in the same old way. McLaughlin's career has been a remarkable one in many respects. No other political boss has ever ruled his subjects so absolutely or so long. Every time the Democratic party in Brooklyn suffers de feat he goes through the form of retiring; then, doubtless, all the other Democratic leaders see the necessity of a strong, firm hand at the helm, and they "prevail upon" him to resume the leadership. The defeat last fall was the most crushing Mc Laughlin has ever experienced, but in spite of it he has continued to be a power in the party. So true is this that a member of the Board of Education said to the writer not long ago—this was before the recent election in the board—that the Democrats did not dare to vote for a janitor without consulting the Boss. McLaughlin's "retirements from politics permanently" must be construed an a Pickwickian sense every time.

It is surprising that any well-informed Brooklyn paper should assert, as one did the other day, that Surveyor McGuire's chances of confirmation by the Senate were rather slim. The precedent set in the prompt confirmation of ex-Police Commissioner Hayden as United States Marshal was sufficient to show that there would be comparatively little delay in the case of another member of Mayor Boody's cabinet. That was the result, no opposition being manifested in the Senate. It is different, however, with the mugwumpish Healy and Bennett. The confirmation of Mr. McGuire insures to Brooklyn one of the important places in the customs service of the port of New-York. It is true that some years ago Mr. McGuire "kicked over the traces" when he failed to secure a nomination for a judgeship which he greatly desired, but afterward he became an obedient and dutiful follower of the magnate who has been termed the "Duke of Brooklyn." Laughlin has ever experienced, but in spite of it he

ON HER PRACTICE CRUISE.

SUPERINTENDENT MARTIN HOPES THAT BOTH MAYOR SCHIEREN'S WISE ACTION IN CALLING "JACK" TO BE ALLOWED TO DRAW HIS PAY

sallers on board," a good-natured marine was heard to say yesterday, as the San Francisco began to guidance of her stalwart and good-looking city "I wish I could see those fellows sit down to a which to spend a summer vacation. The noise and

in the best of spirits for their first visit to the metropolis.

up in brown canvas knapsacks and white hamrise to scrub down decks, and working in the hot relling the story of Lalla Rookh

world by publishing the statement that a strike

### HARD TIMES AND THE SUMMER EXODUS.

THE NUMBER OF BROOKLYN PROPLE KEPT AT HOME APPARENTLY NOT LARGE.

It is commonly believed that the hard times have who are in the habit of going away for a considera-ble time during the summer, or, at any rate, of causing them to shorten the period of their summer outing. This is undoubtedly true in some cases. Naturally, the result will be to increase the number of people frequenting the nearby resorts on the coast, especially in view of such strong attractions as the Seidl concerts at Brighton Beach, which have coast, especially in view of such strong attractions as the Seidi concerts at Brighton Beach, which have been largely attended thus far. Inquiries of the police, however, show that there has been little, if any, diminution in the number of reports of families going out of town and leaving their houses vacant. In such cases it is a frequent practice to request the police to keep a special watch on the empty accuses, though this is not done in an cases. An otheriol of one of the district telegraph companies said that while some of their customers whose houses are fitted with burglar alarms had not given notice that they were going away this summer, they had secured a number of new customers, just about large enough to make things even. In one respect, he said, there was clear evidence of hard times, and that war in the slowness of collections, this being something unprecedented.

A high police official said that all notices that houses were to be vacant in the summer which were received at Police Headquarters were at once sent to the stations of the precincts in which the houses are situated, he thought the number was about the same as in other years, though for the last two or three weeks people had hestiated to the risk involved in travelling. This difficulty was now passed, however.

So far as can be judged from available data, it seems that the hard times were not having much effect on Brooklynites as respects their going out of town for the summer vacation. But in some cases that have come to hand it is known that people who usually go away at the end of June or the beginning of July have postponed their trips until August.

JUSTICE GOETTING HELD THE COMPLAINANT. Mrs. Gussie Patten, a young woman living at No. 25 Gwinett-st., nearly fainted in the Lee Avenue Police Court yesterday, when she was arraigned on complaint of Mrs. Sarah Prentice, a neighbor, on complaint of Mrs. Sarah Frenlice, a neighbor, who charged her with calling her names. Mrs. Patten is well connected, and her married life was happy until two weeks ago, when her husband began to call at Mrs. Prentice's house and was entertained, it is alleged, by her two daughters. Mrs. Patten remonstrated with Mrs. Prentice, but to no avail. Justice Goetting turned the tables on Mrs. Prentice of placing her under bonds to keep the peace toward Mrs. Patten.

HE SAYS HIS WIFE IS A DRUNKARD.

John Rose, of No. 358 Grand et . Brooklyn, charged his wife Ellen in the Lee Avenue Police Court yesterday with being an habitual drunkard. a well-known business man, and his wife is a re-markably handsome woman. She did not have the appearance of being dissipated. The couple have four children, which Rose said he had been com-pelled to put away for safe keeping. He said his wife had pawned all her clothing to buy liquor. The woman acted as though her mind was un-balanced and was remanded until to-morrow.

# BRIDGE WORK IN PROGRESS THE ALDERMENS INACTION. NAVY YARD AND ITS WORK. IN A BLAZE OF GLORY. | parents of the missing man are of the opinion that

ERECTING THE NEW STATION AT THE INCOMPREHENSIBLE DELAY IN INCREAS. THE BANCROFT ARRIVES AT THE YARD HOW A COUNTRY MAIDEN WOUND UP A

THE SIGHTS OF THE BEACH WERE AUSORBING,

BUT EVERYTHING ELSE WAS FORGOTTEN

in St. Lawrence County, and had found, under the consin, that New-York was a glorious place in bars and hammocks and tin cups, and a little be- being almost over, he decided to wind it up with a trip to Manbattan.

At noon the start was made, and after a luncheon serve force standing on the pier among the few possessions which they could take with them, done vision, a visit was made to the wonderful animals sk bigs. But it did look funny to see a detail kept her busy guessing what they would do next for carrying dress suit cases. As the sailors stood on effect, another meal was eaten, and her wise coustn, the dock one would wonder how they would like with the maiden in tow, retraced his steps across lying on sea fare and sleeping in hammocks up the bridge over the railroad tracks, kept straight

> band began to play, the calcium lights were turned on, and figures began to flit. like brown-clothed ghosts, back and forth over the broad expanse of rm between the waters of the lake and the glittered on the summits of the bills, and the lyn only about two weeks, which he will spend

made shifed in her seat and settled back in thorough colorment. The contortonests, which there are delethed limbs into all sorts of shapes and tied themselves up into hard knots the acrobats, coan limbed, stanwart fellows, who ground and lofty furnising, were all received with games of amiration for their skill, and then the restrict position was changed to one of intense excitement for Zedka had been remised by Hafed, and Meaning and the chief of the Fire Wisningers had met and fought. Hada had meanwhile crept in amons the spectators of the readity, and whispered in Hafed's ear a warning Hafed and alls attendant rushed off the stage, the adarn was sounded, the lights went out the banyan free closed and out of the darkness loomed the forms of Ghebers coming down the pothways leading from those termines on the hill-ions. The Emir's soluters met them, and the battle was on.

"So, look at Hafed' was the startled exclamation.

Hafed had carried the Emir's daughter across the bridge, over the waterfall, and with some of his followers prepared to defout the pass. The fact had carried the Emir's daughter across the bridge, over the waterfall, and with some of his followers prepared to defout the pass. The fact was the can'd while heart of the waters of Oman's Sea.

Then came a crash which lifted the maden from her seat as the great lower was riven with freand separa the pur a thight in each ear while the rapid explosions marked the destruction of the beautiful city.

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Suddenly there was a rush of flame, a crooked streak of fire seemed to leave a bright mark on the sky, a sharp defonation, and a shower of gently falling bails of fire marked the end of the fight and the beginning of the celebration. Then came a report like the minifed sound of a cannon shot, a whirling spark went up, up, up, till it seemed as if it would never stop, and suddenly a 'baing' came, revealing a knot of silvery-white smoke in the centre of a great glowing circle of vivid white flame. Rockets and bombs followed each other in quick succession until with a fizz and splutter I note Sam and John Bull stood revealed in lines of firs, with the flags of the United States and England marked by colored flame. The Vigilant and Britannia under full sail were next shown, the flery Ferris wheel went around, the McMonnies fountain spouted out its varicolored fire, and a St. George's cross was sent floating away, an ensign of fire against the summer-night's sky. The American flag was the last piece shown, and to the music of "The Star Spangled Hanner," the maiden started for home, with her eyes and ears full of the sights and sounds of the evening by the sea, and a heart full of gratitude to her wise cousin, who had saved the best lift the last, and given to her as a partling gift the memories of the gorgeous libustration of "Lalia Rookh" and its accompanying display of art in fire at Manhattan Beach.

TOOK THE WEDDING RING FROM HIS WIFE August Lehner, of No. 29 Wyckoff-st., Brooklyn, visited the Ewen Street Police Court yesterday and asked Justice Watson if he could be prosecuted for taking his wife's welling ring. He said his unhappiness was caused by his wife's infatuation increase the revenue he thought it would be a good tions idea to take a boarder or two. Loescher was his trial. bosom friend, and he induced him to become a boarder. He lived in the house for nearly a year, boarder. He lived in the house for nearly a year, Lehner says, when one day he discovered his wife and Loescher talking together affectionately. He then saw the boarder kiss his wife, which was the beginning of his trouble. Lehner says he ordered Loescher to find another boarding-house. His wife objected to this, and declared that if Loescher left the house she would go too. He finally relented and allowed Loescher to remain. Everything went well for some time, when he again discovered that his wife was altogether too free with Loescher, and a few months ago he decided to move to the Eastern District. It was not long before he found that his wife was in the habit of meeting their former hoarder and taking walks with him.

He followed his wife one night hast week and saw her meet Loescher. A lively encounter between the two men followed and culminated in Lehner pulling that she would no longer be allowed to disgrace his name. His wite has since disappeared.

## Peter Bruning, who lives at No. 251 Stag-st.

Brooklyn, has been missing since July 4, and yesterday his disappearance was reported to the police Bruning is twenty-three years old, and four days before his flight rented a store at No. 258 Lorimerbefore his flight rented a store at No. 258 Lorimerst., which was formerly a candy and stationery place. He intended to conduct the same business for a while, and then to turn his attention to the manufacture of a new kind of candy. For the Fourth he laid in a large supply of fireworks. When he closed on the night of July 3 to go to his home he was seen walking through Lorimer-st. That was the last seen of him. On the morning of the Fourth the children in the neighborhood flocked to the store for fireworks, but found it closed. The

IT WILL PROBABLY BE CONTESTED BY ONE OF HIS DAUGHTERS-HE SAID SHE HAD PERSECUTED HIM.

The will of John Donovan, a wealthy contractor, who died on July 3, at No. 14 St. Marks's-ave., Brooklyn, leaving an estate consisting of real prop erty worth \$160,000 and valuable personal property, is before Surrogate Abbott for probate. It will procontested by one of the daughters of the dead man, Mrs. Mary A. Wheeler, who is cut off from any share in the cutate by a codicil added to will bears date of April Rockaway to his son-in-law, Thomas L. to suit the purpose of the moment, he said, several

Mary A. Lee, a sister; \$2,000 to J. Donovan Wheeler, a grandson; \$2,000 to J. Denovan Swanton, a grandson; \$1,600 apiece to all other grandchildren surviv \$1,000 each to General B. F. Tracy and Judge W. J. Gaynor, besides charitable bequests of \$1,090 to the Mission of the Immaculate Virgin, in New-York, the Little Sisters of the Poor and St. Mary's Hospital, in Brooklyn. The sum of \$500 is left in trust with a son, Francis J. Donovan, to be expended in masses. The household effects, books and paintings are left to Margaret C. Swanton and Agnes F. Donovan, daugnters. The residue of the estate is to be shared equally by these two daughters, and the two sons, Francis C. and John F. Donovan. The daughters are executrices of the will. It is expected that the will will be contested on the ground of undue influence. A clause in it cuts off from all interest in the estate any heir who contests it.

### NOTES ABOUT BROOKLYN PEOPLE.

Mayor Schieren will not take a long vacation this in the White Mountains. He will begin his vacation early in August. Meantime he goes every day to his country house at Islip. He aims to leave his office in the City Hail every day at 3 o'clock, but if there is anything to demand his attention he does not hesitate to remain an hour

The venerable yet youthful James S. T. Stranamany years it has been his custom to rahan's mental and physical powers are un-ited, and he is not even troubled with the less that so often afflicts the aged.

Postmaster Sullivan is another man who will take

Some of the friends of Walter B. Gunnison, the principal candidate against Dr. Maxwell for the the of Superintendent of Public Instruction, think that injustice has been done him in the recent statement that he was the candidate of the McLaughlin Ring. Mr. Gunnison is and always has been a Republican, and has no acquaintance with Boss McLaughlin. He is a member of the Union League Club. He is a graduate of St. Lawrence University, and was a teacher there before becoming the principal of a public school in Brooklyn. He is one of the handsomest and most popular men connected with the Educational Department of the city, and his election as Superintendent would undoubtedly have given much satisfaction to the teachers generally. Mr. Gunnison is a brother of the Rev. Dr. Almon Gunnison, the Universalist clergyman, who left Brooklyn a few years ago to take charge of a flourishing courch in Worcester, Mass. Another brother is Herbert F. Gunnison, of the business department of "The Eagle."

On August 9, 10 and 11 he is to deliver three lectures

## BROOKLYN NEWS NOTES.

GATHERED ABOUT THE TOWN.

The name of the Memorial Hospital has been legally changed to the Memorial Hospital for Women and Children.

William H. Smith, formerly of Camden, N. J., who abscended three weeks ago with \$2,400, which he secured on some plausible pretext from his boarding mistress, Mrs. Morris, of No. 1,030 Bedford-ave, was arrested in Albany yesterday by Detective Welser and taken to Brooklyn. He will be arraigned on a charge of grand larceny to-morrow. Smith is a clothing cutter. The city is continuing the experiment of burning

The city is continuing the experiment of burning garbage in the new Thirty-first Ward, begun there when it was the town of Gravesend, and proposes to extend the system to the new Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth Wards. The present contract for the removal of garbage for the rest of the city has three venrs to min.

The autopsy in the case of Patrick McGowan, a former inmate of the Elmira Reformatory, who died on Friday at the Long Island College Hospital, discloses that his death was due to pleurisy. and that one lung was entirely gone. There was nothing to show that death was in any way due to violence. The inquest will be held this weeck.

The drowned man found at Conover-st. on Thursday was identified by his wife yesterday as Prederick Smith, of Jersey City. He was an engineer, and left his home on Sunday last. While on the ferryboat Princeton on the way from Jersey City to New-York he sprang overboard and was drowned. No cause for the suicide is known.

The Citizens' Electric Light Company is seeking to have its assessment of \$256,000 on personal property reduced to \$156,000, and an application has been made to the Board of Assessors in the matter.

HOME LIFE OF THE REFINERY HANDS The Logan Club will give a reception at its clubhouse, No. 256 Sixth-ave., on Wednesday evening in honor of Controller James A. Roberts. The annual picule and games of the Williamsbu

for a former boarder, Emil Leescher. Lehner says he was married seven years ago, and for five years they lived happily at Glendale. Then in order to policeman was called in, and, despite their protesta-

Corps will give an exhibition drill at 8 p. m., and beginning at 3 p. m. a programme of athletic sports

## DEATH IN THE REFINERIES

HOW THE SLAVES OF THE SUGAR TRUST WORK, SUFFER AND DIE.

TERRIFIC HEAT AND SMALL WAGES-LIPE D THE DRY-ROOM-HOW MUCH MEN MAY ENDURE AND LIVE-THE STORY OF NEAR BROADWAY

It is doubtful if there is any other group of bulk-ings in or near New-York where the fearful distowering, forbidding, fortress-like structures on the can Sugar Refining Company, better known at the The big buildings cover a space of four blocks or both sides of Kent-ave., from South Pirst to South

both sides of the west side of the avenue en-tend to the river front, their grimy, dull-red was are supplied with checks, showing that they were hand when work begun. If they are late there they have been employed for some time, and have been found to be faithful and doclle men. In can they are not discharged, they will be "docket" as the superintendent sees fit, and this generally

oped, and rarely above middle age, it being a refinery, and not infrequently death comes quickly to his relief.

### HOW THE SUGAR IS HANDLED.

WORKING IN AN INFERNO.

The rooms in which the drying is carried on an verifable infernos. No man can stay in them over ten minutes without falling down utterly prostrated by the terrific heat. No one but an employe be ever allowed within these walls, and no one but as ever allowed within these walls, and no one but an employe would dare to go in them when the heat is on and the sugar is drying. Clothing is discarded, with the exception of a "breech clout" and shoes, and there is absolutely no ventilation, as the windows are kept tightly closed, and at the windows in other rooms which are permitted to remain open the men may be seen gusping for breath, aimed naked, and with their hair and belies as wet as if they had been plunged in the East River, in their short respite from their frightful toil. Men who have worked in the dryroom have only one expression to describe it, the short, forcible work "hell."

CARRIED OUT LIKE DOGS.

During the recent hot spell men in the drying rooms have dropped down and been carried out like dogs, and so numerous have been the prostrations that at times it has been difficult to find men to continue the work. The men thus prostrated are continue the work. The men thus prostrated are said by their comrades to have been treated with great brutality. The refinery people, fired of calling on the hospital ambulances, because it attracts the attention of the newspapers, employed physicians at the refineries, and the unfortunate visitins, after reviving sufficiently to stagger away, were turned adrift, to reach home as best they might. Many have died, and others have had they might so affected as to be unable to return 0 work. But others took their places, and the killing work went on. It is on record that there were 200 prostrations from the awful heat in one day last summer, the number reaching 500 in the week. This summer the harvest has been great, but public attention has not been called to it by the frequency of demands for add from the hospital.

The men are for the most part new arrivals in the of employment. The chance of work is eaself The annual picnic and games of the Williamsburg Volunteer Firemen's Association were enjoyed yesterday afternoon and evening at Ridgewood Grove. There were many visiting firemen from near-by viliages and towns present, and it is estimated that fully 1,000 persons were in attendance.

Mrs. Mary Goemdegein, who conducts a boardinghouse at No. 322 Stagg-st., accused William Woodcock and his wife Annie, boarders, in the Ewen Street Police Court yesterday, of stealing \$23 from her. The missing money was found under a bed in the room occupied by Woodcock and his wife. A policeman was called in, and, despite their protestations of innocence, they were held in \$500 bail for trial.

The annual picnic and athletic sports of Guardian Encampment, Knights of St. John and Maita, will be held at Henner's Ridgewood, L. I., on Tuesday afternoon and evening. August 14. In order to provide an enjoyable time for those who attend extra attractions will be provided; a choice programme of promenade and dancing music will be given by Comparison Wiener's Orchestra, the Nonparell Drill Corps will give an exhibition drill at 8 p. m., and

will be contested, open only to members of the order and their wives and children.

SHE HAS THE FREEDOM OF THE COURTROOM Euna Hemmingway, a refined-looking woman fifty years old, who said she lived at Penn-st, and Lee-ave., had the freedom of the Lee Avenue Police Court yesterday through the courtesy of Justice Goetting. The woman is demented, and is under the impression that detectives are continually hounding her and trying to mesmerize and rob her. When in the presence of the Justice the woman is under the impression that the detectives will fly away. Her first appearance in court was two months ago, when she managed to force her way through the stenographer's room into the Justice's private room. She then told all her troubles, and the magistrate learned that she had undoubtedly become demented through severe family affliction. She said she had a dream that detectives were watching her night and day, and wanted to see her commit a great crime. Justice Goetting promised to protect her, and almost every other day ince they she has been in the court. sports PECULIAR ACCIDENT TO A NEWSPAPER MAS